

Hempstone Appointed Star Associate Editor

Smith Hempstone, The Star's chief editorial writer since January, has been named an associate editor of the newspaper and director of its editorial page.

The announcement was made yesterday by Newbold Noyes, editor of The Star. Hempstone, 41, succeeds John H. Cline in his new position. Cline retired at the end of 1969.

Before returning to Washington a year ago, Hempstone served three years as The Star's European correspondent. He was a Nieman Fellow at Harvard in 1964-65.

A native of Washington, Hempstone attended St. Albans School and the Culver Military Academy. After graduating in 1950 from the University of the South in Sewanee, Tenn., he joined the Marine Corps, serving 10 months in Korea.

His subsequent journalistic experience, in addition to The Star, includes reporting jobs with the Associated Press, the Louisville (Ky.) Times, the National Geographic Magazine and the Chicago Daily News. From 1956 to 1960, he and his wife traveled in Africa on a fellowship from the Institute of Current World Affairs.



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Hempstone's reporting of foreign affairs has won awards from the Overseas Press Club of America and Sigma Delta Chi. His published books include Africa, Angry Young Giant (1961), The Katanga Story (1962), A Tract of Time (1966) and In the Midst of Lions (1968).

Hempstone is a great-grandson of Crosby S. Noyes, The Star's first editor.